GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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FUEL TO AVIATION COMPANIES AT CONCESSIONAL RATES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken a decision to provide fuel at the half prices to aviation companies which uses smaller planes;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the head from which Government propose to compensate the remaining half of the price;

(d) whether the Government propose to include smaller planes in its aviation companies; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a), (b) and (c): No, Sir. However, to encourage small aircraft (turbo-prop) operations to connect smaller and non-metro cities, it has been decided to provide Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) to such aircraft at international prices and notify ATF as a `declared good` under the Central Sales Tax Act, 1956. The modalities of implementing these decisions are under examination.

(d) and (e): Indian Airlines is carrying out further analysis of the project report in respect of acquisition of six 50 seater aircraft. Jet Airways has 5 ATR-72-500 (62 seater) aircraft in its fleet and has proposed to import 3 additional such aircraft. Sahara Airlines have already been permitted to import seven 30 seater EMB-120 aricraft.